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SUBJECT: Outside Trip Report 1985

Salmon Surveys, Yukon Territory, Canada

August 19

I departed Fairbanks on August 19 with Bill Lentsch of Tamarack Air Ltd to survey several Canadian streams in the upper Yukon River drainage for king salmon escapements. All surveys were flown in a Super Cub and results are summarized in the attached tables. I first examined four rivers in Alaska prior to arriving in Whitehorse, Canada at 10:00 p.m. local time. The four rivers examined were the Charlie, Kandik, Nation, and Tatonduk.

A fair survey of the Charlie River from the confluence of Crescent Creek, downstream, resulted in one live king salmon being seen approximately 5 to 6 rivermiles upstream from the Yukon River. Water conditions were very clear in most of the river with occasional glare resulting from cloud cover in the upper portion. The lower 8 to 10 miles was very dark drown in color and thus more king salmon may have been present.

The Kandik, Nation, and Tatonduk rivers were all extremely high and dark brown in color. Poor surveys resulted on all three of these rivers. Live salmon would have been extremely difficult to see, and as a consequence, only a few carcasses were observed along gravel bars. The Kandik River was surveyed from its mouth upstream to the township line separating T8N and T9N (approximately 45 rivermiles). A single king salmon carcass was observed approximately 5 miles upstream of the confluence of Easy Moose Creek. What appeared as two vacant king salmon redds were also observed in Johnson Gorge.

A total of five king salmon carcasses were observed in the Nation River on a survey from the mouth to the confluence of Jungle Creek. The farthest upstream carcass was seen approximately 2 miles upstream of the confluence of Hard Luck Creek. No salmon were observed in the Tatonduk River downstream of the U.S./Canadian border.



